CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: She's A Cum Drenched Mess

Other known title(s): Hardcore Hotties: She's A Cum Drenched Mess

OFLC ref: 1200772.000

Medium: DVD

Distributor: Not stated

Director: Not stated

Producer: Not stated

Country of origin: United States

Language: English

Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 27 November 2012

Date of direction to

issue a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 27 November 2012

	Components	Running time
Menu:	Play	
	Scenes	
	Photos	
	Phone Sex	
	Private Chat	
Feature(s):	She's A Cum Drenched Mess	238:38
Timed component(s):	Photos	1:35
	Phone Sex	2:04
	Private Chat	1:34
	Notice	0:10
Total running time:		244:01

Summary of reasons for decision:

The sexually explicit DVD contains scenes depicting sexual conduct and behaviour that is highly degrading, dehumanising and demeaning to the female performers and, by extension, women in general. Most of the scenes eroticise, for the (male) viewer's sexual gratification, sexual conduct in which women in subservient roles endure contemptuous and aggressive sexual conduct by one or more men who show no regard for the women's comfort or dignity. The sexual activity is treated as a degrading spectacle, and the women as little more than sexual accoutrements. This misogynistic treatment of women is likely to influence the attitudes of some male viewers and have a resulting harmful impact on the safety of women in sexual situations, and in their relationships more generally.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications likely to be injurious to the public good under s3(3) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are classified as objectionable. The classification is a reasonable limitation on the right to freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that depict degrading, dehumanising and demeaning sexual conduct to such an extent and degree that its availability is likely to be injurious to the public good.